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MIAA

Lamkin Gym hosts 'Dog-Cat fight tomorrow



David Alvey

by Dale Gard
When the Northeast Missouri State University Bulldog basketball team invades Maryville at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow they will bring in one of the top MIAA teams and will run up against perhaps the top forward in the MIAA.
The Bulldogs, coached by fifth year mentor Willard Sims, are a tall team, sometimes fielding a front line of 6-10, 6-7, and 6-5. They have, according to MSU basketball Coach Bob Iglehart, one of the two best pivotmen in the MIAA this year in 6-7 Scott Bobysud.

Bobysud, third in the conference rebounding race last year and a second team all-conference pick last year, was also named to the MIAA all-tourney team earlier in January this year when he led the Bulldogs to a victory over the MSU cagers.

Another player to watch for is guard Terry Bussard. A freshman, he has filled a gap that was a question mark at the beginning of the year for the 'Dogs. An all-stater out of Olney, Ill., he is considered to be the best guard ever produced by the school.

According to Iglehart, this is the best team Kirksville has had in five years. The main difference this year has been the greater depth which they had than a year ago when they had a 14-12 season.

The main force the Bulldogs will have to deal with is 6-5½ junior forward David Alvey. Alvey, who finished second in MIAA scoring last year with an 18-point average, is faring even better this year.

After 13 games this season, he was averaging 23.6 points per outing. In addition, he was leading



Scott Boysud

the Bearcats with 7.2 rebounds and was second on the team in assists with 37.

He was shooting 52 per cent from the field and was shooting at a .752 clip from the free throw line.

Alvey was recruited from Tell City, Indiana. There, in his last two years, he played on teams that lost only six contests in 52 starts. He was recruited as a winner and was expected to be a solid 15-points per game man.

As Iglehart stated, he has "played beyond my expectations. You might call him an over-achiever."

Although noted for his scoring, Alvey is a complete player. He works hard on defense, leads the team in rebounds, and his driving antics leave teammates open to passes from him, enabling him to be second on the team on assists. Perhaps his only weakness is his ball-handling, and here he does an adequate job.

He is also a stronger player and is shooting better. According to Iglehart, he is an excellent player to coach. He works hard and learns quickly.

Adds Iglehart, it is "easier to coach a player who can shoot." Of all the players in the MIAA, "I'd have to start with David," Iglehart says when comparing top players.

There is another side to David Alvey, according to Iglehart. "He set goals for himself he's working hard to achieve. He... represents the University exceptionally well."

With the kind of year he's having, and as a player described as an "overachiever," one can only speculate as to what feats David Alvey will perform against Kirksville Saturday and against anyone else in his remaining career.

MIAA has little worry over Title IX rule

Title IX, the federal law which states equal opportunities for women in sports, has caused little action from the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA), but for its members, it is a different story.

The reason, according to Dr. Charles Thate, provost and MSU representative to the conference, is that it "is not a

concern of the conference. The regulations of Title IX have no bearing as far as the conference is concerned."

MSU has until July, 1978, to comply by funding women's sports equally to men's. This would mean developing the women's program while at the same time modifying the men's for the next three years.

To fulfill the requirements of

the Department of Health, Education and Welfare's ruling, MSU would have to consider what sports are in the interests and abilities of both sexes, providing supplies, scheduling games and practices, travel expenses, coaching staffs, locker rooms, medical and training services, as well as publicity and funding.

Universities could be penalized for ignoring the law by having federal funds withdrawn. Because of that ruling MSU could lose up to one million dollars, according to Thate.

There had been talk of some schools dropping out of the conference and joining another. Thate said MSU has no intention of leaving.

At last week's Board of Regents meeting President Foster said full scholarship parity would cost the school about \$500,000.

Thate said there are two fiscal alternatives for the university. First, to increase the revenues available for athletics or second, to redirect some of the school's internal revenues from other programs.

Wellerding, Darling undefeated in mile, 2-mile while 'Cats lose

John Wellerding and Vernon Darling stayed undefeated in their specialties while the MSU indoor track squad fell to their first official defeat of the season.

The 'Cats tied for second in a quadrangular last Saturday at Doane College. The meet was the second of the season for Coach Dick Flanagan's crew.

The team's first meet was a non-scoring affair at Doane College's Invitational. Unofficially the 'Cats placed third.

This time with the scoring official, host Doane won eleven of sixteen events by scoring 93 points. MSU and Nebraska Wesleyan were second with 29 while Kearney State took fourth with 23.

Wellerding and Darling won the mile and two-mile runs. Their times were 4:21.5 and 9:35.9, respectively. They also scored a second place finish.

Wellerding took runner-up honors in the 1000 with a 2:18.8 clocking while Darling finished second in the mile with a time of 4:23.5.

Freshman Mark Graham came within five-tenths of a second of Wellerding's 600 yard dash record by placing second with a time of 1:14.6.

Steve Smith scored two seconds by leaping 45'3" and 22'6", in the triple jump and long jump.

The remaining points came from Chris Onwe and Robir Darling in the high jump, who tied for third at 6'2" and from Bob Kelchner, who finished fourth in the 1000 yard run with a 2:21.5 clocking.

The next meet for the MSU indoor track will be next Friday at Graceland College against Graceland and Tarkio College.

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Swimmers finish sixth in tourney after layoff

The MSU swim team, idle since Dec. 12, finished sixth in the 12-team Grinnell College Relays Saturday.

"It was a meet where you needed numbers, which we don't have," said Bearcat coach Lewis Dyché. "Of course, as a result, our kids wound up having to compete in three or four events, whereas the other schools' athletes swam in only one or two events."

All events contested were relays. Each school had two athletes perform as individuals and then their individual performances were totaled for a relay total. Only the 400-yard

medley and the 400-yard freestyle relay were run in the normal fashion.

MSU's next outing will be a dual against Kansas State College at Pittsburg Friday. Saturday, the 'Cats will travel Springfield for a dual against Southwest Missouri State.

In duals last year, the Bearcats edged KSC Pittsburg 62-53 while Southwest Missouri State whipped MSU 80-32.

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'Kitten team aiming for nationals



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Lay-Up

The lay-up is the ultimate goal of the fast-breaking Bearkitten team that stands at 11-4.

by Catherine Woolridge

MSU basketball fans can look forward to having a winning team in the Bearkittens, whose record now stands at 11-4 and 4-0 in conference standings.

Head Coach Debbie Jones explains that "man to man defense makes a more aggressive team." The 'Kittens also rely on running and fast breaks, as they aim to force their opponents into mistakes so they can turn those errors into winning points.

Even though this is Jones's first year as head basketball coach, she is no newcomer to the MSU sports scene. While an undergraduate at MSU Jones set school track records in the following: 131 feet-4 inches in the javelin, 39 feet-11½ inches in the shotput and in the 880 medley relay.

She broke records in the MAIAW by throwing a javelin 126.9 feet in the shotput and in the 88 medley relay. Jones was also a member of MSU's MAIAW championship basketball team in 1971-72 and is a former member of the softball team.

In addition to basketball duties Jones also coaches softball and cross-country teams. She has guided the Bearkittens to four Missouri Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women state championships — cross-country in 1974-75, track and field in 1974 and softball in 1975.

Assisting Jones are Diana Beebe and Verna Wilson. Wilson and Jones were teammates on the 1971-72 MAIAW basketball team.

The 'Kittens are not only stars on the court but they also shine in the classroom. Nearly all the girls have above a 3.0 grade average. Those on the Dean's list are Ann Kimm, Susan Sugg, Janet Cooksey, B.J. Pratt, Luann Phillips, Julie Schmitz and Patricia VanOosbree.

Like Jones, the girls aren't newcomers to sports. If freshman Julie Schmitz's high school achievements are any indication of her college potential, her opponents had better be on the lookout. She led her Northeast Nodaway high school team to three state tournaments, made the all-state sports team selected by Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association and is outstanding in track.

Senior Luann Phillips is one of the team's leaders who averaged nine points a game last year and had eight double-figure games. She was a member of both MSU's Bearkitten MAIAW cross-country teams. Phillips feels that "we are capable of winning the tournament; everybody has a good attitude, and I think that makes us a good team."

Two-year veteran B.J. Pratt averaged just over 10 points as a sophomore, topped the team in points seven times and has competed in track and softball. Pratt feels that the 'Kittens have "so much talent and potential that if we group together there's no limit to where we can go."

Pacing the team with a 13 point scoring average last season was senior Susan Sugg. She was also top point maker nine times and played first base on the 1975 MAIAW baseball team.

Junior Vicki Milner averaged seven points last season, reached double point figures seven times, participated in track and was outfielder-shortstop on the 1975 MAIAW softball team.

Defensive player Ann Kimm lead the cross-country squad to the MAIAW title by finishing first place; she is a veteran of two seasons of national track competition and letter winner in high school for cross-country, softball, basketball and track.

Freshman Mary Timmons was all-state at Wheeling high school and she lead her team to 1975 state championship.

Other outstanding players are Trish Van Oosbree, Dianna Withrow, Janet Cooksey, Betty Grieser, Suzi Butt, Julie Harris and Cheryl Hoover.

Although the girls as a team are winners, they also sport various superstitions including having to wear some purple on their socks, wearing yellow Florida socks, singing during pre-game warmup and having to wear a sweat sock on the left foot.

These academic stars and winning cagers hope to spend March 24-27 in University Park, Pa., site of the AIAW national tournament.

Almost anyone can bounce a basketball but the Bearkittens are providing basketball fans with a winning team.

Southwest Mo. meet next for MSU grapplers tomorrow

After a five-meet swing through Nebraska and Iowa, the MSU wrestling team will get back into action at tomorrow's Southwest Missouri State Tournament at Springfield.

On Wednesday, the 'Cats will travel to Peru, Neb. for a double dual against Peru State and KSC at Ft. Hays. Next Friday, MSU will meet the Nebraska Cornhuskers in Lamkin Gymnasium.

Coach George Worley's squad started their road with a 22-16 decision over Wayne State of Nebraska last Tuesday.

The following day, MSU won both ends of a double dual at Blair, Iowa by stopping Dana College and Midland Lutheran 38-5 and 24-16.

The next day, Westmar College ended the Bearcat's three straight dual meet winning streak by winning a 24-16 decision.

The MSU matmen ended their road trip by placing fourth in the Kohawk Tournament Saturday. Host Coe College won the tourney with 143 ¼ points.

Individual standouts during the team's trip were Russ Hutchinson (126), who finished second in the Kohawk Tournament and Mike Papini (heavyweight), who fell short of winning the championship in the Kohawk tourney.

The 'Cats will take a 5-3 dual meet record into next week's action.

Administrative post goes to woman

Remember when stories still had a happy ending? Well for Sherri Reeves her happy ending is just the beginning. A 1957 graduate with a 1970 master's degree from MSU, she has been appointed assistant director of athletics at her alma mater.

The University's Board of Regents on Jan. 21 placed Reeves in the position of coordinator of MSU's intercollegiate athletic program for women under the direction of Dr. Michael Hunter, athletic director. The appointment is effective May 1, 1976.

Reeves directed MSU to the Missouri Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women

basketball championship and a fifth place Region Six finish. Her four-season coaching record was 61-15. In 1975, she served as assistant coach on MSU's MAIAW championship softball team that participated in the Women's College World Series.

Reeves joined MSU's physical education for women staff as an instructor in 1971 after serving two years as an academic adviser. She is currently on leave of absence pursuing doctoral studies at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

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His film, "I'm Not in Love," based on the popular song of the same title traced a young man's dilemma, as he loses his true love.

Second place in the awards ceremony went to Gina Ing, for her horror parody entitled "Rip Van Dracula."

Robert Craig presented Moberg with a plaque from the Speech and Theater department while Robert Bohiken watches. Moberg's name will be engraved on the trophy.

Students may apply for foreign travel

Travel and excitement can be yours this summer, as it has been for many MSU students in the past, if you see Channing Horner in 250 Colden Hall before Friday, Feb. 13.

This date marks the last chance to sign up for MSU's Ambassador program, which last year sent two students to Europe.

The Ambassador program, in its 10th year here at MSU, entails the summer exchange of approximately 3,000 students from 100 countries. The program was set up as The Experiment in International Living in 1932 and now has 60 affiliate countries.

This summer one more MSU student will have the chance to visit a foreign country. When asked why only one student

would be going this year, Horner remarked that it was because of increased costs and changes in availability.

This program is backed by fund raising projects, as with the calendar sale and "The Trees of Christmas" project in December, and institutional funds. It costs from \$1,500-\$2,000 per student to send an ambassador to a foreign country for the summer.

Applications for this summer's program will be evaluated and interviews will be held to determine the most capable students. The final results are then announced shortly before the close of school in the Spring. Students need not have a foreign language and any student may apply.

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Students who expect to graduate in May should check with the registrar's office at once to make sure their application is on file.

Applications for the Ambassadors Experiment in International Living are available in Channing Horner's office in 250 Colden and will be due on Feb. 13.

Dr. Charles Bartish, of Air Products and Chemicals, will be on campus February 4. In the early afternoon Dr. Bartish will lead informal discussions, followed by a 4 p.m. industrial research seminar and a 6:30 p.m. meeting of the American Chemical Society at which he will speak on the topic carbon monoxide. All these events will be in 320 Garrett -Strong.

Any woman interested in serving as a batgirl for the MSU Bearcat baseball team should attend an interview session in the "M" club room of Lampkin Gym at 3 p.m. on Jan. 30.

KXCV-FM will broadcast National Public Radio Coverage of the National Town Meeting, when Eugene McCarthy and commentator James J. Kilpatrick examine "The Limits of Government". The one-hour program, including a question and answer session with the audience at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., will be broadcast Sunday, February 1, at 7:30 p.m.

Students interested in participating in varsity tennis for women should meet at 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 2, in the student lounge of Martindale Gymnasium.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority model initiates will hold a dance 9:30 to 12:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 31 in the east den of the J. W. Jones Union. The cost is 50 cents per person.

Veterans Administrative representative at MSU, Tom Lane, has announced that his new office hours are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Lane's office is in 115 Wilson Hall.

Retakes of individual Tower photos will be taken Monday, February 2, in McCracken Hall. No appointment needed.

An MSU alumnus, Gary Maddick, has donated \$200 to the MSU business department. Maddick, now a partner at Arthur-Anderson Accounting Firm, one of the world's eight largest accounting firms, donated \$100 and the firm matched the sum.

The money will be used for scholarships for two students, Cynthia Promovik and Calvin Holst.

An ice cream social, sponsored by Samothrace, will be held from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 in the Union Annex. The cost is 75 cents for one piece of cake and all the ice cream you can eat. Tickets are available from Samothrace members or at the door.

An orientation meeting for volunteer aides interested in participating in a recreational program for retarded adults in Nodaway County will be held at 7 p.m. Feb. 6th in the Lower Lakeview Room of the J. W. Jones Union building.

Thursday, Feb. 4th is the last day to assign a class on audit. Friday, Feb. 6th is the final date to sign up a first block class as pass-fail or to drop a first block class with a withdraw passing or withdraw failing assessment.

God's word

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Bumper Snicker?

No, it's not a misprint. Sharon Shipley had no idea that her bumper sticker would be read by Paul Harvey over his daily news program.

Shipley puts KDLX on the map

Sharon Shipley, program coordinator of MSU's KXCV-FM (90.5), has provided Public Radio some favorable publicity, along with putting her hometown on the national map.

On his daily news program, Paul Harvey closes each segment with a bumper sticker-snicker, and he closed his Jan. 15 offering with the following, submitted by Shipley: "Public Radio: The Rare Medium That's Well Done."

Shipley didn't hear the program, but the minute it ended, she began receiving calls from her friends and relatives in Burlington Junction, which she listed as her hometown.

One slight problem arose among the reveling. Harvey omitted "Public" in his message, so as far as NPR (National Public Radio) is concerned, he blew it.

"I'm quite surprised about

the response I've received after the broadcast was aired," explained Shipley. "I'm pleased about the publicity for the station, but we've done many meaningful and creative things that haven't received nearly as much publicity."

In reference to that statement, KXCV has had over 80 programs aired over the NPR Network, ranking among the leaders of some 188 stations.

Shipley has had a new batch of the bumper stickers printed up, with "KXCV-FM 90.5" added. They come in a variety of colors and can be picked up for the asking at the KDLX-XCV station, located on the third floor of the Ad Building.

Scheduled Events

- Jan. 30: Bearkitten Mini-Basketball tournament here; Men's swim meet at Kansas State College; Union Board Movie "Chinatown" 7 & 9:30 p.m. in Horace Mann with 50c and ID;
- Jan. 31: Bearkitten Mini-Basketball tournament here; Bearcat Basketball with Northeast Mo. State U., here; Men's swim meet at Southwest Mo. State U.;
- Feb. 1: International Film Series, "Women in Love," Horace Mann at 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 2: Bearcat Basketball with U. of Neb.-Omaha, here;
- Feb. 3: Bearkitten Basketball with Kansas U. here; Senior Recital by Judy Anderson at 8 p.m. in Charles Johnson.
- Feb. 3-5: Fraternity Smokers—Invitation only;
- Feb. 4: Bearkitten Basketball at Southeastern Community College; Bearcat Wrestling at Peru;
- Feb. 5: Performing Arts—James Tocco—pianist, Charles Johnson, 8 p.m.
- Feb. 5-6: Union Board Movie, "The Three Musketeers," 7 & 9:30 p.m. in Horace Mann with 50c and ID;

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In August, 1975, procedures were implemented by the Committee on Teacher Education to insure that students receive proper advisement and pursue the necessary education courses in their proper sequence.

Roll sheets distributed to the faculty now contain information concerning a student's major, his advisor's name, and whether or not he has been admitted to teacher education. This "flag" gives data to each major department as well as to the education departments regarding future class offering needs.

A student seeking admittance to teacher education should obtain an application from the Secondary Education Department located in Colden Hall. At this time he will be assigned an education advisor.

The student should then confer with this advisor to plan the teacher education program and establish a block for student teaching. He should then secure the signature of his major advisor and plan his degree sequence to completion.

The director of student teaching must then approve the recommended student teaching block and sign the application. Finally, the student returns to the Secondary Education Department and obtains approval of the chairman. At this time the computer data card will be filled out.

If for any reason a student drops out of school for a semester, the "flag" will be dropped on the roll sheet. He is then subject to challenge for being in education courses without direction. He should go to the Secondary or Elementary Education Department and have the computer cards updated.

Any questions regarding admittance to teacher education may be directed to Dr. Roger D. Epley, chairman of the Department of Secondary Education.



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PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING

Pro wrestling comes long way since 1875

Professional wrestling is so complex that it is impossible for even the most dedicated fan to keep up with all the different aspects of the sport.

The sport has many different types of wrestlers, different types of matches, several governing bodies and even world champions.

According to most observers, professional wrestling got its start around 1875. The first recognized American champion was Tom Jenkins of Cleveland, who traveled the country paying anyone who could defeat him anything from \$25 to \$500.

George Hackenschmidt of Germany first laid claim as the world champion when he whipped Jenkins in 1905.

Later that year, the title returned to America when Iowan Frank Gotch defeated Hackenschmidt.

Gotch, who is claimed by many to be the greatest wrestler of all time, lost the title when Fred Beall slammed Gotch's throat into the top rope. Gotch later that year whipped Beall in a return match and held on to the title until 1913. Gotch retired with 154 wins and 6 losses.

Today the sport has four major governing bodies in the United States. The governing bodies are the World Wide Wrestling Federation (WWWF), American Wrestling Association (AWA), International Wrestling Association (IWA) and National Wrestling Alliance (NWA).

The WWWF rules the New York area while AWA rules basically the Cleveland and Pittsburgh areas. The IWA, which is the smallest of four, is strongest in the southern states.

The NWA, which is the oldest of the four, is the largest organization. The NWA not only rules the mid-west and southwestern states but has a strong foothold in Japan and the Far East.

Like other professional sports, wrestling has had to resort to showmanship in order to keep drawing the large crowds. Promoters stage many different types of wrestling matches and present a wide variety of individuals as wrestlers.

There are wrestlers who wear masks, midget wrestlers, women wrestlers and wrestlers of every nationality known to mankind.

Professional wrestling matches take place inside a boxing ring. A three count is used to determine a fall. The rules are considerably more lax than amateur wrestling rules. Pro wrestlers are allowed to use such things as flying drop kicks, karate chops, forearm smashes, piledrivers, boston crabs and other submission holds.



'Easy Ed' doin' his thing

'Easy Ed' Wiskoski, former Bearcat temporarily helpless in a head scissor minute draw. Wiskoski, currently the Bearcats from 1964 through 1967 and wa

Former 'Cat lineman shines

The MSU football program may become known for producing professional athletes in another sport besides football.

While no former MSU football players are now competing in professional football, Bearcat fans can take pride in the success former pigskinner Ed Wiskoski has achieved inside the professional wrestling ring.

Wiskoski, who played under former football coach Ivan Schottel for

three seasons currently reigns as the National Wrestling Alliance's U.S. Central States champion.

Wiskoski graduated from St. Joseph Central High School and first attended Washburn University in Topeka, Ks.

Wiskoski was a three-year starter as a defensive tackle and was selected to MIAA all-star squad his senior year.

Wiskoski cited a 24-21 over Northeast Missouri State his junior year as his biggest thrill as an athlete

at MSU.

"It had been something like 18 years since we had whipped them (Northeast Missouri State) for possession of the hickory stick," said Wiskoski.

"My biggest disappointment was when we finally got to look at it (hickory stick) in the locker room after the game. We fought so hard to win the damn thing and it was only about six inches long."

Wiskoski did not compete in intercollegiate wrestling while at MSU.

The only members of coaching staff that tutored Wiskoski still at MSU are Lewis Dyehe, then offensive backfield coach and now head swimming coach; Dr. Earl Baker, then line coach and now head cross country coach; and Jim Redd, who both was a teammate and later a coach of Wiskoski is still serving as the Bearcat line coach.

"Baker was someone that expected a lot from his athletes and emphasized conditioning," said Wiskoski. "He made us do a lot of agility and grass drills."

"Jim Redd is an unusual type of person," said the former Bearcat. "It's usually hard for players to relate to a coach whom they've played with as a teammate once before. But with him, it was a different story, he was a ball player who everyone had a lot of respect for. So, when he

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....Referee Ronnie Etchison and Dutch Mandel of The Outlaws exchange words during a match that ended with Mandel whipping Ted Oates (on his back) who is trying to escape from a hold.

Wrestling fans love their sport

Professional wrestling fans are noted for their vociferousness at matches. To gain an insight into the minds of wrestling fans, the *Missourian* talked to several during matches in St. Joseph.

"I like the way they do the holds," says Ted Hughes, 17. "I'd like to learn some of them myself." On the subject of fakery Hughes said, "Some of it is and some of it isn't." Hughes is a fan of four years.

Mrs. Lola Vigil has been attending matches in St. Joseph ever since they started 42 years ago. Citing Lou Thesz and Antonio Rocca as her favorite wrestlers, Vigil contends that wrestlers today do not wrestle as well as the oldtimers.

"That's what I don't like," Vigil said. "The younger ones try to punch out their opponents. Wrestlers used to really know how to wrestle."

Vigil says she can remember when wrestling drew capacity crowds three or four years ago. Now, the stands are only half-filled for most matches.

"I like the way they fight," said Richard Fasching. "I watch it just about every Saturday night; either on television or here." He has been a wrestling fan five years.

"It might be faked, but they take some real falls," said Debbie Gillenwater of Oregon, Mo. She says her favorite wrestlers are Danny Little Bear and Handsome Harley Race.

A wrestling fan of 40 years, W. E. Evans of King City, has attended matches in St. Joseph ever since they began there. He believes fakery is involved in that the champions lose when they are told to do so.

In defense of professional wrestling, veteran wrestling star Bob Brown said, "In

wrestling you're all by yourself in the ring. On a football field you're surrounded by teammates and you can be relieved by a substitute any time."

Brown played professional football for the Edmonton Eskimos and professional hockey for the Winnipeg Maroons. C. H. Varnon, of Union Star, Mo., drives 22 miles to see the matches if the weather is good. He has attended the past 20 years.

The late Gust Karras, wrestling promoter in St. Joseph the past 44 years, had this to say about professional wrestling:

"Everyone has their own opinion, but the wrestlers try to put on a good show. It's a hard business and a hard way to make a living. Conditioning is a must. There is money in this business for the winners, but you have to have ability."

'Rasslin' not a sport says Worley

"Why are you guys even wasting your space on that (all-star wrestling)? asked MSU wrestling coach George Worley. When asked to comment on professional wrestling by the *Missourian*.

Worley explained that professional wrestling does not even qualify as a sport. "Rasslin," as Coach Worley puts it, "is an awful lot of show, not too much dedication. In other words, it's strictly a show and has no connection with amateur wrestling."

The coach pointed out that amateur athletes, as opposed to professionals, show "extreme dedication on the part of weight loss, conditioning and endurance. In my comparison, they (amateur and professional wrestling) are two different things.

"Professional wrestling is not a sport," Worley emphasized.

Though Worley does not have a high opinion of the aesthetic value of professional wrestling, he still sees the role it plays in society. "I think it's good for people who have hostilities and anxieties to release. They can watch those guys run around fake hitting each other. I think it has great merit for that. It's an outlet, but it's not a sport."

Worley is aware that some fine amateur athletes have found lucrative careers in professional wrestling. Bob Geigel is a former Big Ten wrestling champion and Chris Taylor, former Iowa State heavyweight who wrestled in the U.S. Olympics, both have successfully turned pro after fine collegiate careers.

"They pull crowds," Worley admitted. "They have a big name to back them up and they

do an awful lot of training on how to fall and not get hurt."

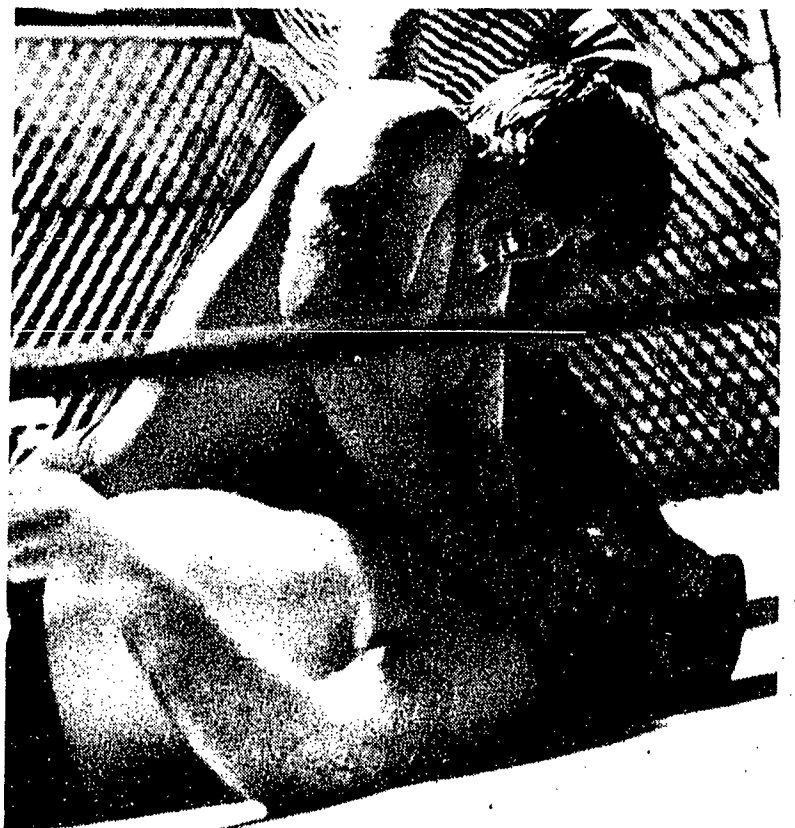
If any of his wrestlers had the chance to wrestle professionally, Worley says he would tell them, "Go man." Worley said he is aware that professional wrestlers often make good money.

Worley compared the popularity of professional

wrestling in the St. Joseph and Kansas City areas to amateur wrestling in Iowa.

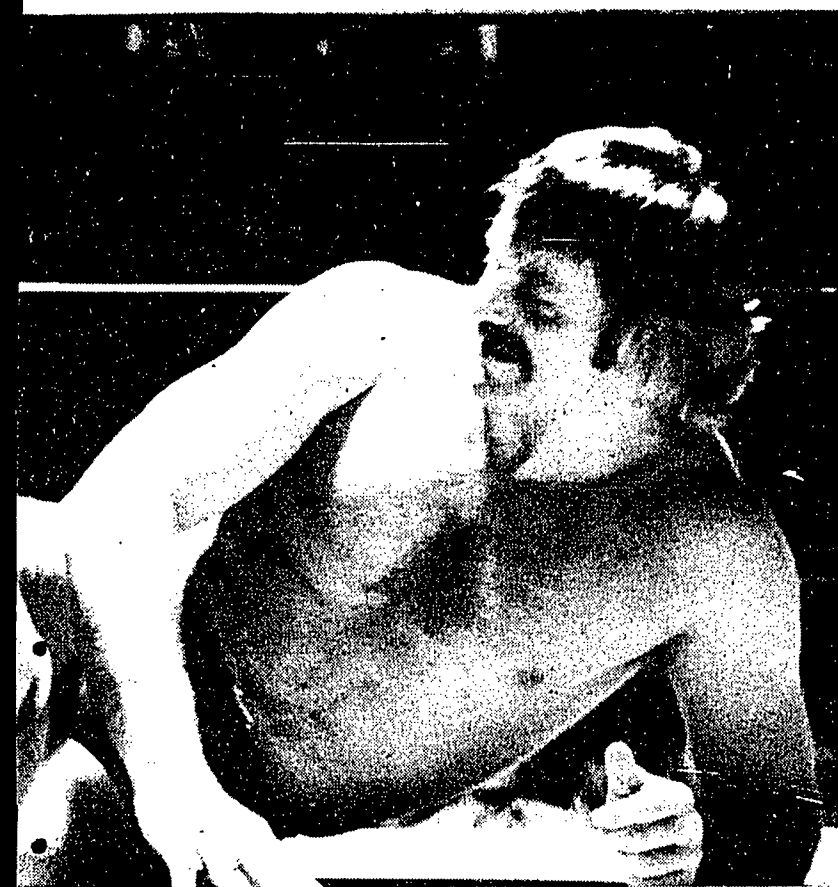
"In this area right here they (amateurs) wouldn't draw two hundred. But if you'd take All-

Star wrestling up to Ames, Iowa, you wouldn't even get a crowd because those are amateur wrestling fans.



George settles grudge against Brown

In the final match of the evening, Mike George battles Bulldog Bob Brown in the long awaited "fence match" in which both wrestlers were disqualified. The fence was installed prior to the match to prevent either wrestler from escaping through the ropes. Above, George is intent on choking Brown after the bell sounded to end the second fall.



Wrestler and MIAA all-star, appears to have total control of Jerry Oates who is back. Oates, however, managed to escape the hold the battle Eiskoski to a 20-national Wrestling Alliance's U.S. Central States champion, played for the MIAA all-star his senior year.

Fans in wrestling ring

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"In professional wrestling, you can pace yourself and think things out during the course of the match."

Wiskoski admits that wrestling is a young man's game and says he plans to retire at age 37 but hopes to win the world championship before that time.

"One thing MSU has done for me is I have something to go back into after I hang it up," said the hopeful world champ. "A lot of guys will wind up with cauliflower ears while I

can go back into teaching."

Wiskoski added he was pleased with the progress of the MSU athletic program since he had

graduated and felt that the presence of Missouri Western had waken up a few administrators.

"People had might as well face the fact; how good an athletic program the school has determines which school a student decides to attend in a lot of cases," said Wiskoski.



Avid fans

Mertie and Gertie Hirt of Kansas City have been going to professional wrestling in Kansas City, St. Joseph, Sedalia and Topeka for over 30 years and are familiar faces to wrestlers and fans alike.

Former gang leader—

From street gangs to Harvard

by Bill Althaus

Joseph Sorrentino, a Los Angeles lawyer, judge, jurist, author and lecturer is living proof that, "with spiritual resolve you can make something of your life."

His story might be more believable had it been penned by Horatio Alger—for who would believe that the former leader of a street-gang in the streets of Brooklyn could one day address 18,000 people as the valedictorian of Harvard Law School?

In a lecture sponsored by the University's Performing Arts and Lecture Series he traced his life; and in reflection expressed the contrast of his youth with the lifestyle of today's young offenders.

"The only person I admired as a youngster was a gang leader, so I dropped out of school at 14. Because of my recklessness and aggressiveness, I soon became the leader of the Condors."

He went on to explain how, in the 50's, there were many gang wars, but the individuals involved had a deep respect for life, unlike many of today's juveniles.

"The reverence for life has declined. When I was young, if an individual killed someone it was a heavy feeling. Others stayed away from that person. Today you ask a young murderer how he feels, and he responds, 'What is there to feel?' He's considered a hero by his peers, and that's terribly wrong."

Using his law experiences as a background, he classified some of the causes of youth crime (over 50 per cent of today's crimes are committed by youths): he listed one of the main reasons as the deficiency of the family, a lack of confidence in law enforcement agencies, callous and overcrowded courts, the failure of correctional institutions to correct, and a veneration of violence and masculinity.

The last problem might be a direct result of the media, which produce the macho-anti hero, which youngsters wish to emulate.

"Prime time viewing presents the child with an average of four murders a day, which does not develop a reverence for life," he said.

The son of a Brooklyn garbage collector survived two brig sentences in dehumanizing facilities, suffered through a bad discharge from the Marines (which he later erased from the record books by being the only man to "make it through two boot camps"), and eventually enrolled in Emerasus Night School, because he realized he wanted more out of life.

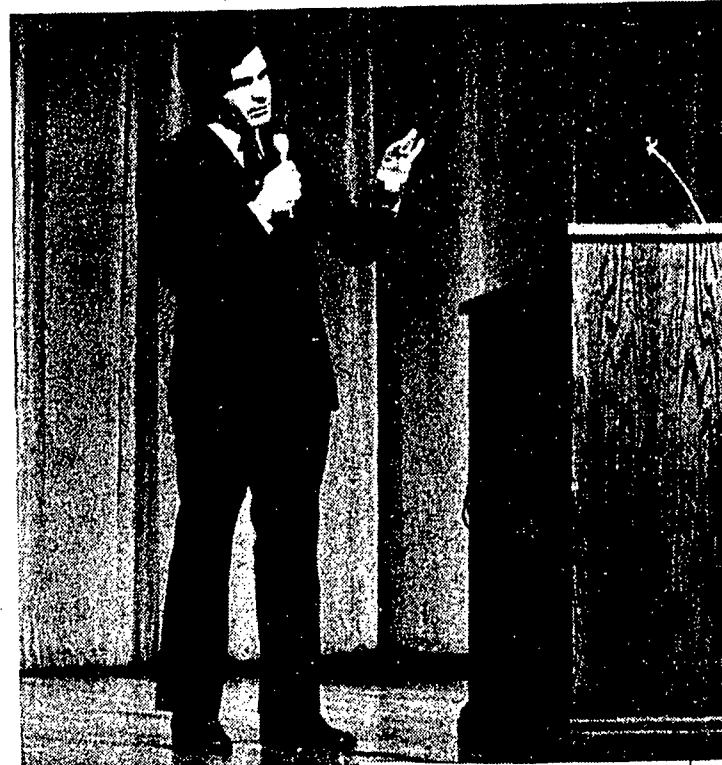
He graduated with the highest grades ever received by an Emerasus student, went on to the University of California and in 1967 graduated as valedictorian from Harvard Law School.

The author of three books, who may have his life story filmed by M-G-M, Sorrentino called on the courts to find a way to provide offenders with more counseling and therapy, not only for juvenile offenders, but for parents. He also attacked his profession, which he says contains judges known on the street as "Cut 'em Loose Bruce," and "Let 'em Go Joe."

From there he went on to let individuals know that they must take stock of themselves and strive "to achieve your dreams." Individuals should not place such dependence on testing traits, aptitudes, intelligence, or potential.

Sorrentino explained how he never did well on such tests, yet the former outcast spoke before the Kennedys, the Rockefellers and 18,000 others at his commencement exercises.

"My folks were in the audience when I gave the address," he said with a wry grin, "but that didn't impress them nearly as much as appearing on the Tonight show."



—photo by Heywood Studio

Joe Sorrentino recollects his life preceding the day he graduated from Harvard Law School.

Open hours set for gym use

Lamkin Gymnasium will be open for recreational activity during the spring semester according to the following schedule:

Monday through Friday: 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Saturday: 1 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Sunday: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The swimming pool is scheduled to be open for recreational swimming on Monday and Wednesday evening from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday afternoon, until April 4th, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Seventeen high schools vie in annual contest

MSU's sixth annual Swing Choir Festival, attended by a record number of schools and individual participants, will take place today in the Charles Johnson Theater of the Fine Arts building...

Seventeen high schools, divided into three size classifications, will participate in swing choir competition with the top two schools in each class receiving trophies.

Festival Director Gilbert Whitney, assistant professor of music, and his University performing group, The Madralier Singers, will host the Festival for the MSU department of music. According to Whitney, Swing Choir is popular vocal music, including easy rock, accompanied by small combos and involving an added visual impact by the use of choreography.

Judging each group's musicianship will be Byron Myers, choral music director at Wyatt Park Christian Church in St. Joseph and the director of the St. Joseph Expressmen

barber shop music group.

Choreography will be judged by Nancy Green, St. Joseph, choreographer for the Pony Expressmen and St. Joseph women's group, the Sweet Adelines.

From 12 noon to 1 p.m., a reading session will be presented by the Kansas City Wingert-Jones Music company's choral manager, Jack Overby.

The current schedule lists Maryville, Bedford, South Page and Craig to compete from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.; Stanberry, Carson-Macedonia, Fremont-Mills and

Griswold 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; Nishna Valley, Richmond, Lewis Central, Cameron and Abraham Lincoln 10:30 to noon; all schools sight reading session lead by MSU music department noon to 1 p.m.; Smithville, Bethany, Maysville and Rockport 1 to 2 p.m. and a discussion by the judges, competition results and awards presentation will be between 2 and 3 p.m.

The festival will conclude at 2 p.m. with the presentation of awards and discussions by the adjudicators. The event, which begins at 8:30 a.m., is open to the public with admission of \$1 per person.

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Bumbling duo con cops in bank robbery

by Bill Althaus

On a sweltering afternoon in 1972, two men walked into a small Brooklyn bank—beginning the most bizarre robbery the nation's fourth largest city ever witnessed.

The heist should have taken five minutes, but after 15 hours it was the hottest show in town.

That's really not too unusual, because anything can happen on a Dog Day Afternoon.

Sidney Lumet's mini-masterpiece is fiction, not a documentary; yet it makes no secret of staying close to the original material.

The film is an accurate account about the New York street scene, and it encompasses the way it might have happened.

The demands made by the robber always pose a surprise... whether he's ordering pizza for the entire bank staff that he's holding captive, or asking the police to bring his male "wife" to the scene of the crime.

lover to Sweden for a sex-change operation.

John Cazale (who you might remember as the weak brother in *Godfather II*) portrays Sonny's partner, a sympathetic character who draws humor from the audience due to his bumbling.

When he's discussing the possibilities of escape by jet to a foreign country, Sonny suggests Algeria but Cazale wishes to fly to "Wyoming, to see the cowboys."

Director Lumet becomes a master of his craft as the movie provides an in-depth look at the personalities of all those inside the bank, and how they change when the television cameras roll in to film the fiasco.

Before the caper comes to a dramatic end we find most of the bank staff enjoying their sudden fame.

To embarrass the cops, Sonny emerges from the building with a middle-aged secretary, throwing \$10 bills to the over-



Al Pacino ponders his next move.

Because of that aspect of the robbery, it received a great deal of space in the New York gay tabloids, but if anything, the film de-emphasizes the fact. That Sonny could have a male lover comes as a complete surprise halfway through the movie.

Dog Day Afternoon provides a great vehicle for an excellent actor, Al Pacino. He's brilliant as the bumbling, yet intense Sonny, who hopes to pull off the heist so he might send his male

flowing crowd. Rather than leaving Sonny, she smiles into the camera, checks her makeup and retreats into the bank.

The sympathetic hold-up men, diabetic bank manager, frantic police, unstable crowd and bizarre bits of humor make *Dog Day Afternoon* the film that might earn Pacino that long awaited Oscar.

In any case, don't cheat yourself... see the movie. It will hold you captive.



Pianist

James Tocco, pianist of international acclaim, will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, in the Charles Johnson Theater of the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building. His performance is a part of the University's year-long artist and lecture series presented by the performing Arts and Lecture Committee, chaired by Dr. Richard Fulton, chairman of the department of political science.

Nationwide audience sees film

Although still a student at MSU, and a part-time employee of KQTV in St. Joseph, Terry Kurtright has been able to enjoy his work on national television, via the Jan. 7 edition of the ABC news anchored by Harry Reasoner.

On that day, ABC aired a news story about the possibility of Trenton High School senior Linda Pickett being accepted into West Point Academy.

"I took this approach on the story," says Kurtright. "If Linda is accepted it would mark the first time a father-daughter combination was attended a service academy."

Kurtright's film appeared

locally on Jan. 3, and the KQTV staff felt the story had national appeal, so they contacted ABC network executive Bill Arp in New York.

How does Kurtright feel about having his work on nation-wide television? "That's a goal each individual in operations such as KQTV dream of. I couldn't be hap-

pier; and now that I know I've done it once I hope to do it again."

Kurtright has worked at KQTV for a year, and was started at the station through an intern program in MSU's broadcasting department. His goals lie in commercial television, and they look well within his grasp. Just ask Harry Reasoner.

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LET'S DO IT AGAIN

Club learns judging

The MSU agriculture judging team members have gained valuable vocational experience this year from the three contests they have attended.

Coach Dr. Harold Brown said the judging team trains individuals to select a type of animal that meat packing companies look for or one that would gain and do well on a farm.

As explained, this could help a student who later may seek a job in the agricultural area; "Several MSU students go out as livestock buyers for meat packing companies and the judging provides good experience."

He added that the team members get experience in judging both market and breeding stock of cattle, swine, sheep and sometimes a separate class of horses.

Larry Ratashak, a judging team member, said upon graduation he would like to secure a job as a farm manager of a beef or swine operation. He added, "By judging I get experience in learning what type of animal is best. A farm manager I would need to know what kind of breeding animal to select."

Brown explained the objectives looked for while judging; "In market animals they look for a conformation that would produce the most amount of lean meat." He also said a large frame, sound structure and correct feet and legs were checked for in the breeding classes.

The members of the team judge the animals individually without discussion, then their scores are



Cattle Judges

Dr. Harold Brown watches as David Frede, Dale Grier and Dave Blackford examine cattle at the MSU farm.

combined for the team score. Each person has about 15 minutes to judge each class of animals. The objective is to place four animals and match the order with the official judge.

In some classes official reasons are required. The person judging must then stand up in front of the official judge and explain why he placed the four animals in that order. Points are given for matching the official judges reasons and also the way the reasons are presented.

Stanley Ray, another team member, said, "The judging isn't too hard, but the official reasons are. It's really nerve-racking to stand in front of the official judge and explain why you chose one animal over another."

Ray also said that he feels it is hard to be a consistently good judge because official judges in each class or contest may have differing opinions on the livestock.

Brown said the real training for the ag judging team is gained from the Livestock Evaluation class that animal science majors are required to take. Although about 15 students volunteered for this year's team, only six or seven were chosen. Their selection was based on how well they scored in the class.

Brown pointed out that although MSU's team as a whole has not placed well this year, two members, Ratashak and Dave Blackford, have ranked well individually.

Scholarship forms for women are available

Application forms for the Viola May Corwin Scholarship, the May Corwin Junior Scholarship and the Anna M. Painter Graduate Loan Fund are available from Mary Jane Sunkel, Room 222, Colden Hall or Leta Brown, circulation desk, Wells Library.

Deadline for the completed applications is Feb. 25, 1976. All applications should include complete transcripts, three letters of recommendation and an application form.

The Viola May Corwin Scholarship offers \$500 to a

woman resident of Northwest Missouri who has achieved at least junior standing. This scholarship may be used for undergraduate or graduate study at any accredited institution.

The May Corwin Scholarship for \$300 is available to an MSU junior woman for use during her senior year.

The Anna M. Painter Graduate Loan Fund presents up to \$1,000 to a woman doing graduate study at any accredited institution. Equally eligible are those out of college for any length of time.

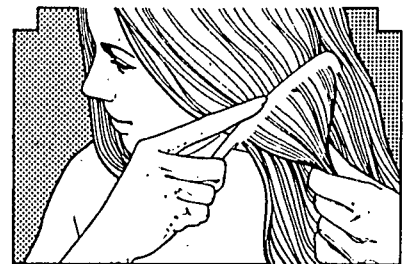
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Student Senate prepares for active semester

The new proposal which would allow teachers to drop students for excessive absences is still under debate in the Student Senate.

It was pointed out at this week's Senate meeting Tuesday, Jan. 27, that with a few minor changes, the proposal could aid the students.

As it stands now, if a student does not attend classes and fails to drop, the teacher has no choice but to fail the student. However, if the new proposal was passed, the teacher would have the option of either dropping the student or failing him.

Many students appear to be afraid that this proposal could be abused by the teachers if passed. To avoid the chance of abuse, the Senate representative will recommend that the proposal be stated in more definite terms.

The term "excessive absence" should be qualified and the teachers should agree to notify the students if they are dropped.

Some students fear that the proposal would give the teacher too much power, but the teacher already has the option to impose attendance regulations and this option only gives the teacher the ability to drop a student if he doesn't meet these requirements.

No action has yet been taken on this matter. The proposal still must go through the Advanced Standing committee and the Faculty Senate for discussion before it can be voted on. The vote should take place sometime in the near future.

New Senators were also sworn into office at this week's meeting. Filling the position for graduate senator is Gail

Medcalf, a history major. Denise Meng, a broadcasting major, will be filling the position of off-campus senator and Gary Burton, a wildlife and conservation major will be filling the position of senior class senator for the third block.

Also discussed was the recent meeting with the Maryville Chamber of Commerce in which the Senate sent a representative from the college

There has been little communication between the University and the citizens of Maryville and the opportunity to attend these meetings could change this fact. The next meeting will be held Feb. 23.

Also the Recruitment Committee announced that final plans are being made for the "Class of 80" project to be held Friday, February 13. It was decided that the Walkenhurst

Brothers will provide students with entertainment in the Union Annex after the movie. Host and hostesses for the weekend are still needed. Meetings for those

who are interested in serving as a host or hostess are scheduled for 3 and 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, and 3 and 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 2. Anyone interested may attend one of these meetings for details.

Health insurance benefits students

MSU offers a student health program tailored for students, spouses and their children. The program provides a \$5,000 major hospital protection with a semi-private room at a maximum of \$55; as well as all miscellaneous hospital expenses, ambulance service and dental service when due to an accident.

As an added benefit to the student, the policy will pay for outpatient x-ray and lab studies up to \$25 per illness when requested in advance by the

university physician.

According to Dr. Disney, "This is a most useful provision as many students do not need hospitalization, but they do need lab procedures at St. Francis Hospital on an outpatient basis.

"This is a coverage which is usually not present in other health insurance policies, and therefore makes this health program valuable to our students."

The insurance becomes effective on the day the application is received and

coverage continues until 12:01 Aug. 26, 1976. The cost for the entire period is as follows:

Student only	\$33
Student and spouse	\$64
Student, spouse and children	\$111
Student and all children	\$80

Detailed information may be obtained at the Student Health Services in Colbert Hall, the office of the dean of students in Cauffield Hall, or the Gray Insurance Agency Inc. on 213 North Main, Maryville, Mo.

Sixth-graders create yearbook as project

"I look at photos and make sure no one is sticking their tongue out." This is what Mike Brown, 13, does as his sixth grade class is putting together a yearbook for a project at Horace Mann.

Esther Knittl's 26 member class is depicting their class, the school and faculty in the book called "Sixth Grade Happy Days." The theme of the class is "To know us is to love us."

Featured in the book will be a class picture along with personality sketches of each child. There will be a group picture of the school's faculty and interviews. The kids will be highlighted by their playground activities, gym classes, music sessions and special events.

The children are doing all of the work such as writing and editing, photography and layout under the supervision of Ken Halfon, a student from Instructional Material Services, according to Knittl.

"They are interested in what they're doing. There is a wide range of abilities and interest among the students," she said. Students will not be graded on the book.

The class plans to print about 45 copies of the 45 page book and it should be out in April. The cover will be green and white with a picture of the class on the front.

Sheri Savage, 11, enjoys doing this kind of project because "when I'm older I can see how friends looked and how I looked in the sixth grade."

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Youth political influence is strongest on local level

by Michael Marcotte

The year 1976 brings a Presidential election that will hopefully add a little substance and worth to the American Bicentennial celebration. The year 1976 also is an appropriate time to examine the insignificant influence the 18-year-old voting right has had on Presidential elections.

A careful study of the impact of the youth vote brings to light two conclusions: one, new voters in the 18 to 20 year old bracket are not expected to greatly affect the 1976 presidential war and, two, young voters have a much better chance of affecting change through local elections. A simple look at facts and figures compiled over the past four years bears these assumptions out.

The primary drawback is that young voters every year can be counted on to have the lowest registration and voting record of all age groups. Combine that with the fact that the 18 to 20 age bracket accounts for only 18 per cent of the total voting public,

"There appeared to be no strong party line in the way they divided their votes. It was in local votes in cities containing large universities that the youth vote had its biggest impact."

and it is obvious no Presidential candidate is going to depend on the youth vote.

As early as 1968, Georgia, Kentucky, Alaska and Hawaii had a provision that allowed 18 to 20 year olds voting privileges. A mere 33 per cent turned out to exercise their newly-given right to vote. This was four years prior to the passing of the

26th Amendment that gave suffrage to 18 year olds nationwide.

That same year, U.S. News and World Report took a census and found that only 51 per cent of those 21 to 24 interviewed admitted to having voted in the

1968 Presidential election.

Local clout

These facts plus the many youth-powered upsets in local elections the past five years indicate that the real clout wielded by young voters is on the local level.

On Nov. 2, 1968, two 19-year-olds were elected mayor of their cities on the strength of the

youth vote. In Newcomerstown, Ohio, Ron Hooker won as a write-in candidate, and Jon Crews, 24, a graduate student at the University of Northern Iowa, ousted an incumbent mayor in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

There have been hundreds of victories since for 18 to 20 year old candidates, or candidates receiving youth votes.

U.S. News, in its April 24, 1972 issue, condensed their findings on the youth vote influence as follows:

"Students are not voting in impressive numbers. When they do vote, they seldom carry enough clout to determine the outcome.

"The campus vote seems to be going predominantly Democratic except in a normally strong Republican state such as New Hampshire.

"In Democratic contests, college students vote overwhelmingly liberal.

"Traditionally, voter turnout among young people is the lowest of any age group."

The alleged apathy of college students prompted this remark from an Alachua County (Fla.) official familiar with voting at the University of Florida. "Students were so gung ho to register to vote, but many let it go at that."

Even if 18 to 20 year olds do turn out in great force, there is no guarantee they will automatically turn the tide in a Presidential election. Comprising only 18 per cent of the voting population, their power is virtually negated by that of the potential elderly vote which accounts for 15 per cent.

Close associates pay homage to dead students

Four MSU students are gone.

"Each of us stands awe-struck and numb before the presence of sudden, tragic death, particularly that of the very young. But in these solemn contemplations on the finality of death we need perhaps, to reflect also on the miracle of life. Although those we mourn lived but for a short while, they did live—and that is a gift in itself," said Rev. Dale Pollock at memorial services held Monday for the 19-year-olds who were killed in a car accident Jan. 16.

Janet Hawk, Wesley Hoppe, Tom McAlexander and Steve Purnell were very distinct personalities with many individual differences but each had something in common—they were liked by their fellow students.

Liane Hansford began the eulogy of her friend, "To know her is to love her," and concluded with, "her smile always brought you up when you were down. She had a genuine interest in you. Janet was always a very special kind of person..."

Dr. Sharon Browning, Janet's adviser in the department of business and economics, feels very much the same. "She was very people-oriented... She had a marvelous personality... She was a delight to have in class and otherwise."

David Crozier, department of industrial arts, said, "Wesley had a good sense of humor... He was cooperative... It was a real pleasure to have him in a class."

Dr. Carrol Fry, department of English, felt much the same way about Steve Prunell: "He was a very serious-minded kid who wanted to go into special education after he got his degree in English. He wanted to get into industrial arts and eventually work with the deaf."

Their friend, Bill Roux said, "Steve and Wes were real friends who hurt no one and lived their lives out 110 per cent. Steve and Wes were the type of men who were inspirations to those who knew them... I thank God that these type of men were my friends."

"It is journalism's loss as well as a loss to the Missourian staff

that Tom is no longer with us. He would have made a fine newspaper man. He was responsible, capable and also cheerful and fun to be around—the kind of person the world needs more of," Muriel Alcott, adviser of the Missourian, said.

Tom's roommate, Dave Scott said, "He was always out to meet people, he felt he never had enough friends... He spent hours on the paper, satisfied by finally seeing his work in print... He would walk in a room full of people and his charisma would go out to everyone there... Finally, of what Tom had he always gave every bit of it."

Perhaps Rev. Pollock said it best: "Those whom we mourn this day will leave an emptiness which will never be completely filled... it remains for us to live and in the tragic reminder of the tenuousness of life, to live all the more fully with sensitivity to grasp meaning and purpose for each moment we are given. If they who died can leave us with that sensitivity, purpose and appreciation for the gift of life, they will have left us a legacy."



Wesley Hoppe

Bill to drop students misunderstood

A proposal now before a Faculty Senate hearing committee is misunderstood by many students who have listened to rumors floating around, rather than taking the time to look over its provisions.

The proposal, if approved, will allow faculty to drop students from class roll for missing an excessive number of classes.

Some students have the mistaken idea that the proposal is vindictive and was authored chiefly to give the faculty a vehicle with which to punish students they don't like. Rumors persist, too, that faculty will be allowed to drop students for missing three consecutive class sessions.

Nothing could be further from the truth. Martha Cooper, registrar, drew up the bill for two reasons: to alleviate the stacks of names of students who sign up for a class but never show up, and to allow faculty to drop students at midterm rather than waiting and failing

the student at the end of the semester.

The key to the proposal is the stipulation that a teacher must drop the student by mid-semester break. That way, a student can get out of the class before committing himself the rest of the semester and possibly receive a failing grade or an incomplete.

Also, in cases where the student believes he has been dropped unfairly or wishes to contest the charge of having missed an excessive number of classes, an appeal procedure has been written into the proposal.

Looking at the bill from the faculty point of view, there are two obvious advantages. For one, teachers in the past often had to wait until the end of the semester to fail a student. If the student did not withdraw, the teacher had no alternative but to grade the student even if that student never reported for class.

Many of the faculty have

voiced this concern to Cooper. "The faculty just doesn't want to grade students who never come to class," she said. "I must have the names of 500 students who didn't show up for classes last fall, and faculty members wanted us to find out what happened to them and why they weren't coming to class."

The only possible problem with the proposal is the term "excessive number of classes." Individual teachers have the right to determine what constitutes too many class cuts. That, however, will be cleared up in the Faculty Senate committee if the proposal is passed.

To be put into effect, the bill first will be examined by the Faculty Senate's Standing Committee on Admissions and Advanced Standing and Graduation. There the bill will either be discarded, revised or put into bill form. Then it is up to the Faculty Senate to vote on the proposal.

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